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JAPAN DISASTER.

2,000 HOUSES DESTROYED. IMPERIAL VILLA DAMAGED.

A further disaster has to be recorded from Japan. A big fire occurring at Namadzu, destroying a large number of houses and damaging the Imperial Villa, where the Emperor and Empress are staying.

News to this effect reaches us from the Telegraph's correspondent at Shanghai, who cables us as follows:

"A Japanese news agency reports that two thousand houses have been destroyed in a conflagration which took place this morning at Namadzu, in the Shidzuoka Prefecture, where Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress are staying."

The Imperial Villa was slightly damaged, but Their Majesties escaped harm."

RECENT PIRACY.

STERN CHINESE ACTION.

41 TO BE SHOT.

The Colonial Secretariat forwards us the following:
It will be remembered that the steam launch "Kwong Tak" left Hongkong on the 20th January and was subsequently captured by pirates the same evening at Hau Hoi, beyond Castle Peak. The following day the launch was sighted by the Chinese Revenue Launch "Paktai" in Heung Chau Bay, the officer in charge of which called upon the steam launch to stop. After a fight, the launch was sunk and over forty men and two women were removed and handed over to the Chinese authorities to be dealt with.

A communication has been received by His Majesty's Consul-General at Canton from the Civil Governor of Kwangtung that forty-one pirates have been sentenced to be shot and two women have been imprisoned for ten years, while investigations are continuing in the case of two other men, including the Captain of the launch.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

THE COMING CONFERENCE.

(Special News Service.)

London, Feb. 21.
Communications are now passing between London and Moscow regarding the arrangements for the conference which will shortly be held at the British Foreign Office to negotiate for a settlement of various questions outstanding between Great Britain and Russia. The Conference will assemble about the middle of May and will work under the direct guidance of the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. The Commission will be divided into two sections: political and economic. Mr. J. D. Gregory, counsellor in the Foreign Office, will be in charge of the first and Sir Sydney Chapman, Permanent Secretary of the Board of Trade, in charge of the second.

EXCHANGE RATES.

(Special News Service.)

London, Feb. 21.
The latest exchange quotations are—Paris, 102.65; New York, 43.11/16ths; Milan, 90.15/16ths; Berlin, 19 billions; Copenhagen, 27.1; Christiania, 32.6; Vienna, 305.000; Prague, 148.4; Helsinki, 171; Madrid, 33.95; Lisbon, 1.25/32nds; Rio, 6.4; Buenos Aires, 4.34; Bombay, 1/4.29/32nds; Shanghai, 3/34; Hongkong, 2/4; Yokohama, 2/1-1/16ths Silver; Spot, 33.7/16ths; forward, 30.4.

LATE BISHOP POZZONI.

FUNERAL THIS MORNING.

AN IMPRESSIVE SCENE.

With impressive ceremony, the funeral of the late Bishop Pozzoni took place this morning in the presence of the vast concourse of mourners. The deceased prelate had particularly endeared himself to the members of his flock, and since yesterday morning, when his remains were conveyed to the Roman Catholic Cathedral and left lying in state, before the main altar, an unbroken stream of people had entered the building and passed before the bier, whilst a continuous vigil was kept beside the coffin yesterday and all last night.

REQUIEM MASS.

The light filtering through the windows of the Cathedral early this morning dimly revealed the spectacle of a vast crowd which filled up the nave and aisles and overflowed on to the doorways, leaving very little standing room. It lit up the group of kneeling nuns and little school children, who had often gathered there in previous years to hear the late Bishop deliver his addresses on Empire Day, and on the squad of armed sailors and officers in gorgeous uniforms lining the approach to the coffin. These were men from the Italian gunboat Calabria which is in the harbour. The coffin itself, a plain casket of oak, was lying on a special bier surmounted by a row of twelve candles, with the deceased Bishop's mitre resting at the head. Around it, pews had been placed for the Consuls and Government officials, who attended in strictly formal dress. As the service proceeded to the full ritual of the Requiem Mass, when the solemn chant of the priests officiating before the altar was caught up and echoed back by the choir in the Gallery, the moment was most impressive. The light of many candles brought into relief the black drapings of the interior. Such was the sadness felt that as the service progressed it was noticed that many members of the vast congregation were visibly affected.

The service in the Cathedral was conducted by the Bishop of Macao, Bishop da Costa Nunes, and he was assisted by the Procurator General of the French Mission, Very Rev. Fr. L. Robert, the Procurator General of the Spanish Mission, Rev. Fr. Noval, the Chinese Pastor, Rev. Fr. Paul Lu, and other priests. Fr. Robert also represented Monsignor Constantini, the Papal Delegate at Peking, whilst the Procurator General of the Spanish Mission also appeared for Bishop Aguirre at the funeral.

When the service had drawn to a close, the squad of Italian sailors presented arms, and the strains of Chopin's Funeral March came impressively from the Filipino musicians massed in the gallery under the conductorship of Professor Gonzales. A procession formed up, and preceded by the school children, and the naval guard of honour, the coffin was borne on the shoulders of six members of the Faithful out of the Cathedral. A large floral wreath was held by sailors immediately behind the coffin, and following behind were the clergy and a group of officials including H. E. the Governor's Private Secretary Mr. Gaisford St. Lawrence, who represented His Excellency; Col. Nicholson (who represented the General Officer Commanding the Forces), the Assistant Colonial Secretary (Hon. Sir Claude Severn), the Assistant Colonial Secretary (Mr. A. G. Fletcher), the new Vice-Chancellor of the University, (Mr. W. W. Hornell), the Registrar (Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh), the Italian and Portuguese Consuls, and other Consular representatives. The rear was brought up by a group of Italian naval officers in full-dress uniform, and members of the Faithful.

At Glenealy the coffin was transferred to a hearse, and the procession filed down to Happy

Valley by way of Lower Albert Road and Garden Road.

THE FUNERAL PROCESSION.

There was one of the largest concourses ever seen at a funeral in Hongkong when the procession arrived at the Monument, large numbers having gone straight to the cemetery or awaiting in the vicinity. The procession, which must have been nearly a mile in length, was headed by the St. Joseph's troop of Boy Scouts, the order of those that followed being—Sisters and scholars of French Convent, the Italian Boys' School, the Masters and boys of St. Joseph's College, the Head of several Catholic Religious Orders, the Philharmonic Band, an armed detachment of Italian sailors of the warship Calabria, and a large party of Catholic clergy. The hearse was drawn along by sailors of the Calabria, following which were more sailors bearing a large floral tribute and very many of the general public.

As the procession stopped at the Monument, it was joined by the Bishop of Macao, who, together with the Very Rev. Father Robert and Father Noval, conducted the funeral service, and the following representative personages—Sir Claude Severn and Mr. Gaisford St. Lawrence (representing H. E. the Governor), Lieut. Col. W. N. Nicholson, C. M. G. (representing the Army), Pay. Lieut. B. O'F. Gregory (representing the Navy), Mr. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University and Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh, the Lord Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Duppuy), the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C., the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K. C., Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. E. Ralphs, representatives of the Italian Navy, Senhor A. L. Cerveria de Albuquerque, Portuguese Consul General, representing His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Senator Francisco A. Silva, representing the Macao Government, Commander Carrara, representing the Italian Consul General, Mr. Silva Netto, Mr. C. A. da Rosa, Mr. Basto, Mr. J. M. Alves, and many other prominent members of the Catholic community.

AT THE CEMETERY.

Inside the cemetery, the route from the entrance to the Chapel was lined by members of the various Catholic societies, the Italian and French sisters, the Maryknoll Mission and children from the various convents. The coffin was borne by six bearers, representative of the Portuguese community, whilst clergy preceded the coffin, the Bishop of Macao with Father Robert and Father Noval following. There were large crowds around the small Chapel, only a very small proportion of those congregated being able to witness the interment ceremony.

The burial took place in the Chapel itself, the coffin being laid alongside that of the late Bishop Raimondi, who died here in 1894. Amongst the many floral tributes sent were wreaths from the following:—His Excellency the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs), Hon. Sir Claude Severn, the Court of the University of Hongkong, Senhor Cerveria de Albuquerque (Consul General for Portugal), Apostoladi Oracao, Banque de l'Indo Chine, Officers and Crew of R. I. N. Calabria, St. Raphael's Society, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Club de Recreio, Club Lusitano, Confraria do Santissimo, St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association, Catholic Union Club, The Rock, Mr. A. P. de S. Mutos, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. Pedro V. Botelho, Messrs. D'Almada & Mason, Mrs. A. F. Ramsay and family, Mr. Fred Bunje, the Pupils of Kailap School, Mr. P. H. Murray and family, Mr. and Mrs. U. Gonzalez, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. B. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. A. Becker, Mr. J. R. Braga, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blackmore, Mr. C. D. Goy, Daphne and Patsy Nichol, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Carroll, Mr. Jose Roza Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wilkinson and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Burt, Mr. B. Young and family.

TO-DAY'S RACING.

Cock o' the North Wins Champions.

MR. HILL'S PHENOMENAL SUCCESS.

For the third day of the Races—Ladies' Day—the morning opened with dull and threatening weather, and during the forenoon rain fell. The prospects were, therefore, none too attractive, and no doubt the ladies who had hoped to make a fine show in the latest creations were rather annoyed with the Clerk of the Weather. It was certainly no day for feminine finery. As to the course, it was again extremely heavy. The recent rains had this effect, whilst the previous two days' racing had naturally not improved matters in this respect.

In addition to the race for the Ladies' Purse, for which there is always much rivalry between competing jockeys, public interest largely centred in the Champions, the eighth race of the day, the cash sweep for which is always looked upon as the "plum" of the Meeting.

Despite the unpromising weather, there was quite a good-sized crowd present when racing started, the number steadily increasing as the day wore on. Once again the band of the East Surrey Regiment was in attendance, and its selections were much enjoyed.

At the conclusion of yesterday's racing, Mr. Dynast's stable led the way with four wins, two seconds and a third, being closely followed by Sir Paul with three firsts, and four seconds and the same number of thirds. Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's and Mrs. Bernard's stables also had three wins each to their credit. Mr. Hill had the best record amongst the jockeys up to yesterday, with six wins, three seconds and a third, other successful riders being Mr. Brand, with four wins, two seconds and a third; Mr. Knoll, with three firsts, five seconds and three thirds; whilst Mr. Zelenzky did well with three firsts, one second and two thirds.

The morning's racing proved a triumph for Mr. Hill, who came in first in all four events before finishing. Riding Edenhall, he just managed to get home in the race for the Ladies' Purse, beating Mr. Brand, on Benz, by a neck. This race was run in the rain. At its conclusion, there was the customary ceremony of presenting the purse, this duty being charmingly discharged by Miss Roberta Addis, who was later escorted to tiffin by Mr. Hill, the winning jockey.

THE GRAND STAND STAKES.
—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies' bona fide Griffins on date of entry. Three quarters of a Mile.

Messrs. Morris and Marshall's Brackenfield (Mr. Hill) 1
Lady Chatter's The Woodpecker (Mr. Vidal) 2
Mr. Henry Humphreys' Dark Mouse (Mr. Knoll) 3

Five starters. Won by a neck, with three lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 08.2/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$26.90; Places: \$7.10; \$3.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 246 1st. \$1,411.20
" 2nd. \$ 403.20
" 3rd. \$ 201.60
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$ 554.00
\$2,570.00

THE GREAT SOUTHERN STAKES.—Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies. One Mile and a quarter.

Mr. Dynast's Spotted Sand (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. H. Birkett's Sunstar (Mr. Knoll) 2
Sir Paul's Fascination Dablia (Mr. Burkill) 3

Seven starters. Won by many lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 37 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$23.90; Places: \$7.30; \$7.50; \$3.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 355 1st. \$1,685.60
" 2nd. \$ 491.60
" 3rd. \$ 240.80
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$ 702.00
\$3,110.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 551, 295, 126, 219.

THE HONGKONG STAKES.
—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$150. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924. One Mile and a half.

Mr. Dynast's King Canute (Mr. Hill) 1
Lady Severn's Durian (Mr. Vidal) 2
Mr. B. Basto's Nestor (Mr. Bauld) 3

Seven starters. Won by two lengths, many lengths between second and third. Time: 3 min. 51 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$10.40; Places: \$5.60; \$3.50; \$14.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 446 1st. \$1,990.80
" 2nd. \$ 568.80
" 3rd. \$ 284.40
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$311.00
\$3,655.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 109, 537, 498, 400.

THE LADIES' PURSE.—Presented \$400 added for Winner. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies. One Round.

Mr. Peta's Edenhall (Mr. Hill) 1
Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Benz (Mr. Brand) 2
Sir Paul's Valiant Dablia (Mr. Charles) 3

Five starters. Won by a neck, with three lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 08.2/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$18.50; Places: \$7.30; \$6.20.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 175 1st. \$2,534.00
" 2nd. \$ 724.00
" 3rd. \$ 362.00
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$ 955.00
\$4,575.00

\$20 Tickets: Nos. 126, 564.

THE AMERICAN CUP.—Presented by American Citizens resident in Hongkong, with \$400 added for Winner. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies' bona fide Griffins on date of entry. One Round.

Mr. Bagram's Gym (Mr. Vidal) 1
Mr. Dynast's King Pippin (Mr. Hill) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Grey Dragon (Mr. Knoll) 3

Ten starters. Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third. Time: 2 min. 11.2/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$38.50; Places: \$9.80; \$9.90; \$7.00.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 590 1st. \$3,631.60
" 2nd. \$1,037.60
" 3rd. \$ 518.80
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$1,472.00
\$6,660.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 658, 1331, 368, 487, 396, 497, 196.

THE PHAETHON STAKES.
—"A" CLASS Handicap. Winner \$800. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies that have run at any Gymkhana Meeting during 1923 and Griffins on date of entry. Non-starters at this Meeting barred. This race will be divided into two classes at the discretion of the handicapper. Three quarters of a Mile.

C. Boyd's Ramsbury (Mr. Brand) 1
Sir Paul's Orient Dablia (Mr. Charles) 2
Mr. Dynast's King Charlie (Mr. Hill) 3

Eight starters. Won by two lengths, one length between second and third. Time: 1 min. 33.2/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$10.50; Places: \$5.90; \$7.30; \$6.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 14 1st. \$3,850.00
" 2nd. \$1,100.00
" 3rd. \$ 550.00
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$1,500.00
\$7,000.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 159, 924, 677, 478, 988.

THE "RIALTO" STAKES.—Presented by the Members of the Hongkong Stock Exchange. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second to receive \$500. Third \$200. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924. One Mile.

Mr. Topside's Mountain Hawk (Mr. Burkill) 1
Mr. Dyer's Loch Rannoch (Mr. Knoll) 2
Mr. Dynast's King Alfred (Mr. Hill) 3

Eight starters. Won by two lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time: 2 min. 30 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$32.60; Places: \$6.20; \$6.60; \$5.40.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1362 1st. \$4,261.60
" 2nd. \$1,217.60
" 3rd. \$ 608.80
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$1,647.00
\$7,735.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 72, 1292, 19, 317, 175.

THE CHAMPION STAKES.—A Sweepstakes of \$50 each for Starters with \$2,000 added for Winner. Second \$750. Third \$400. For China Ponies, Winners at this Meeting only. One Mile and a quarter.

Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's Cock o' the North (Mr. Brand) 1
Messrs. Morris and Marshall's Courtfield (Mr. Hill) 2
Sir Paul's Sunshine Dablia (Mr. Burkill) 3

Also ran—Fearleaf (Mr. Soares) and Rialto Star (Mr. Knoll). Won easily by six lengths, four lengths between second and third. Time 2 min. 51 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$9.70; Places: \$6.10; \$5.00.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 982 1st. \$43,878.24
" 2nd. \$12,536.32
" 3rd. \$ 6,269.32
Tickets and Commission \$27,376.80
\$87,060.00

Ticket Nos. 10,144 and 7037 were allotted \$3,482.40 each for unplaced ponies.

The big cash sweep on the Champions was won by a Chinese. THE CONSOLATION STAKES. —Winner \$200. Second \$100. Third \$50. For China Ponies that have run and not won at this Meeting.

Sir Paul's Fascination Dablia (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. F. Lobel's White Rose (Mr. Gibson) 2
Sir Paul's Honesty Dablia (Mr. Vidal) 3

Eight starters. Won by five lengths, two lengths separating second and third. Time: 2 min. 22.3/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$12.30; Places: \$7.00; \$21.60; \$11.90.

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Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1061 1st. \$3,494.40
" 483 2nd. \$ 998.40
" 1134 3rd. \$ 499.20
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$1,373.00
\$5,365.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 611, 713, 96, 1113, 828.

THE NIL DESPERANDUM STAKES.—Winner \$200. Second \$100. Third \$50. For Subscription Griffins of this Season 1923-1924 that have run and not won at this Meeting. Five Furlongs.

Sir Paul's Leander Dablia (Mr. Vidal) 1
Lady Severn's Duku (Mr. Gibson) 2
Mr. McKeth's What To Do (Mr. Soares) 3

Thirteen starters. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. Time: 1 min. 29.3/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$9.60; Places: \$6.90; \$16.70; \$57.80.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 1090 1st. \$3,315.80
" 64 2nd. \$ 947.20
" 841 3rd. \$ 473.60
\$20 Tickets and Commission \$1,434.00
\$5,170.00

\$20 Tickets:—Nos. 123, 230, 325, 56, 595, 997, 543, 560, 95, 716.

THE PHAETHON STAKES "B"
CLASS Handicap.

Mrs. Bernard's Rivergrass (Mr. Zelenzky) 1
Capt. Oxspring's Lightning (Mr. Harriman) 2
Mr. John Peel's Yellow River (Mr. Moller) 3

Ten starters. Won by one and half lengths, two lengths between second and third. Times: 1 min. 47.2/5 secs.

Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$3.80; Places: \$6.20; \$15.10; \$56.60.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 354 1st. \$3,491.60
" 823 2nd. \$ 997.60
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE DOCK TROUBLE.
London, Feb. 21.
The dockers' enquiry has been adjourned sine die.
The terms of settlement of the dock strike are: an increase of
one shilling per day immediately; a further shilling on May 1st; and
no victimisation.—*Reuter.*

Later.
The dockers' second shilling is payable June 1st, and not May 1st.
A resumption of work is expected to-morrow.
The terms of settlement, which include the establishment of an
enquiry into the question of decasualisation, must first be approved
by the conference of dockers' delegates convened to-night, but this
is regarded as certain.
The situation is complicated by the fact that the Stevedores
Unions' independent claim for 2/6 a day increase has not yet been
considered by the employers: yet a resumption is not fully effective
until the stevedores also return.—*Reuter.*

FRANK VANDERLIP SUED.
New York, Feb. 21.
The joint owners of the *Marion Star* are suing Mr. Frank
Vanderlip for \$600,000, for alleged slander and libel, implicating the
Marion Star in the oil scandal.—*Reuter's American Service.*
[Mr. Vanderlip, a banker millionaire, recently announced that an
excessive price was paid the late President Harding in connection
with the sale of the *Marion Star*, the late President's newspaper.
Interviewed afterwards, Mr. Vanderlip said that his only reason for
such a statement was that, being a friend of Mr. Harding's, he wished
to make public the ugly rumours that were being whispered, with
a view to setting them at rest.]

LEAGUE OF NATIONS AND OPIUM.
Geneva, Feb. 21.
The Health Committee of the League of Nations passed a resolution,
declaring that the estimate of 600 milligrammes of raw opium
per head, adopted by the Mixed Sub-Committee on Opium, con-
siderably exceeds medical and scientific requirements, and should be
reduced to 450 milligrammes, as the maximum is only applicable in
countries with a highly developed system of medical aid.—*Reuter.*

CANADIAN TO REGAIN LIBERTY.
Ottawa, Feb. 21.
News has been received that Mr. Mackenzie is well, and his
release is expected forthwith.—*Reuter's American Service.*
[Mr. Mackenzie, a Canadian, was recently reported captured by
Mexican bandits, and was said to be held for ransom of \$200,000.
The Ottawa Government appealed to the U.S.A. in the matter.]

COTTON MILLS DISPUTE.
London, Feb. 21.
In the absence of Card-room Operatives' representatives, at
the Joint Conference at Manchester to establish an agreed system of
control for American yarns, sections of the industry are at a dead-
lock, and the scheme of the Conference is indefinitely adjourned.
It is feared that the dispute may lead to a lockout in the cotton
trade.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE AFFAIRS.
London, Feb. 21.
Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., has been elected chairman of the
Parliamentary Group formed to look after Chinese affairs.—*Reuter.*

AMERICA'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.
Miami, Florida, Feb. 21.
Mr. Cox, ex-Governor of Ohio, the democratic nominee for the
Presidency in 1920, announces that he will again stand for nomina-
tion this year.—*Reuter's American Service.*

TRADE FACILITIES BILL.
London, Feb. 21.
The House of Commons passed the first reading of the Trade
Facilities Bill, based on the Imperial Conference resolutions, of
which one deals with the Sudan Loan guarantee.—*Reuter.*

PEKING CABINET.
COMING CONFERENCE.
Peking, Feb. 21.—The Cabinet this
morning decided to abolish the post
of High Military Commissioner for
Amoy and Changchow, at present
held by Sang Chih-ping, creating
instead a Military Commission-
ship of Amoy, to which General
Chengyi was appointed. The
Cabinet also appointed General

Teng Peng-ying Military Com-
missioner of Kiangchow and Hainan.
In Chinese circles it is believed
that the conference shortly opening
at Loyang will lead to important
developments. The subjects for dis-
cussion at the conference are:
mediation between the leaders,
plans for the election of the vice-
President, co-operation in the forth-
coming Parliamentary election, and
the plans proposed for the expedi-
tion against Canton.—*Reuter.*

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<p>CAUSES OF TIDES. Effects of the Wind. Predicted heights of high and low tidal water do not take into account the variation in the height of the sea due to wind and to air pressure, writes Dr. A. T. Doodson in <i>Nature</i>. Errors due to these causes may be of considerable magnitude. With the large ships that are in common use the margin between sea-bottom and ship-bottom is small, and since many of the largest ports in the world are situated in comparatively shallow water, navigation, both in channels and into docks, is carried on only with constant reference to the state of the tide. A particular example of the problem is that of loading a vessel in dock: how much cargo must be left on the quay-side so as to leave sufficient clearance for the vessel to get safely out of dock. The cargo so left has afterwards to be transported by lighter, with consequent increase of expense. If the tide is lower than was expected there is increased risk to the vessel, and if the tide is higher than was anticipated needless expense has been caused through having cargo transported by lighter. It is therefore, obvious that a forecast of the effect of wind and air pressure on sea levels and tides would be of very great advantage to navigation in and near a port, and for this reason much attention has recently been given to this subject.</p> <p>REQUEST FOR CATS. A legacy for the keep and comfort of her cats appears in the will of the late Miss Mary Ann Tomlin, of The Poplars, North Wootton, Shepton Mallett, Somerset, who died in November, leaving estate of the value of £1,222. She left £500 upon trust</p>	<p>GIFTS GALORE. Penalties of Prominence. The President of the United States has had to issue appeals to his countrymen (and countrywomen) to desist from sending him presents, the number and variety of which seem to be disconcerting the economy of White House. As far as can be gathered, our own public men are less highly tried in this respect. There are some historic presents, no doubt. There was the barrel of oysters sent to Jefferson in the Tower which, when opened, was found to contain a halibut. There was the legacy of £10,000 which old Sarah Duchess of Marlborough left to Chatham for the noble defence he made for the support of the laws of England and to prevent the ruin of his country. And this gift was supplemented by an estate from another source later on. One is not sure whether the Duke of Wellington should be included in the list, though his complaint of having been "much exposed to authors" suggests that many books seeking his patronage were offered to him. There was the romantic story of Mrs. Brydges Williams and the envelope containing a banknote for a thousand pounds which she pressed into Disraeli's hand at the famous assignation by the fountain at the Great Exhibition. "Miscellany" has mentioned recently a gift of costly cigars to Harcourt, and Mr. Lloyd George has had a similar gift.</p> <p>for the cats, and on the death of the last one, she left four-fifths of the fund to the person who undertook their care, and one-fifth to her executor for his services in the matter, directing that this trust for her cats should be a first charge on her estate.</p>	<p>JAPANESE TRAIN WRECK. Tokyo, Feb. 21.—With the arrest and confession of Tsunajiro Naruse, a farmer residing in the neighbourhood of Nagoya, to-day, the mystery is solved of the attempted wreck of the train carrying Opposition members on Jan. 30, which precipitated the Diet dissolution. It appears that Naruse was jilted by his girl on that night, and went home in despair and anger. He saw a train rumble past, and decided to wreck a train to relieve his wounded feelings. He laboured mightily over the placing of an obstruction on the track, and then hid to watch the results.—<i>Reuter.</i></p> <p>WHAT TO DO FOR CHILDREN'S COLDS. Colds are dangerous because they often lay the seeds of consumption and other forms of lung trouble. When the first symptoms of a cold are noticed give the child a hot bath and dry carefully. Put it to bed. Reduce the quantity of food a little and give Baby's Own Tablets to move the bowels. Grease the nose inside and out with pure vaseline. If the weather is bad keep the child indoors, in a well-ventilated room until better. Not only do Baby's Own Tablets, the Canadian children's remedy, relieve colds and croup, but they reduce fever, cure indigestion and colic, dispel constipation, check diarrhoea, expel worms, allay teething pains, quiet the nerves, and quickly induce natural health-giving sleep in a natural way. Guaranteed pure and harmless even to the youngest infant. Chemists sell them, or post free, 60 cents the vial, from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60 Kings Road, Shanghai.</p>
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ARCHAEOLOGISTS' PARADISE

Find of Ancient Pottery.

The entire district has been very much worked up over the discovery of pottery that the natives classify as belonging to the period of the Shang dynasty, writes the Titao correspondent of the North China Daily News. A collector for Dr. Anderson, Advisor to the Chinese Government, has been here acting as advance agent for the Doctor and has unearthed quite a bit of pottery as well as stone and bone implements.

The spot where most of the stuff has been found is about 3 1/2 miles southwest of the city among loess cliffs forming the rim of the Tao river valley. Along the edges of these cliffs are pockets marked by black ash and a few minutes' work with a screw driver is enough to unearth an interesting assortment of stone knives, bone saws, and needles, and fragments of ancient pottery, most of it ribbed in a curious way as though formed on moulds of hemispheres.

There is no trace of metal in any of the pockets and whereas some of the findings seem to indicate burial spots where the dead were laid with a full assortment of the where-with-all to start life in the new world, other spots seem to be the sites of ancient dwellings.

We have not been able to unearth any pottery with any paintings on it but inquiry in the villages of this area has brought to light a number of large pots that have been unearthed in the past with curious patterns in faded vermilion and rusty black. To those familiar with the favourite motifs of Chinese art these are at once distinctive in their strangeness. Mystical symbols of sun and wind and other esoteric patterns quite unintelligible to the amateur remind one of the ancient art of Babylon, and the near east and prompts the eager question "Was there any ancient and close communication between this part of China and those dead and gone civilizations by some trade route through the Tsaidam—some trade route long since forgotten?"

Surely China with its immense store from the past secreted in that incomparable preservative loess is the choice hunting ground for the archaeologist?

NAVY OVERSEAS.

A Strong Fleet Vital.

Overseas naval forces were discussed on Jan. 16 at the Royal United Service Institution, when a lecture on the subject was given by Rear Admiral Sir E. P. F. G. Grant, Admiral Superintendent, Portsmouth Dockyard.

The lecturer, who has great personal experience of overseas naval forces, noted New Zealand was contributing to the Singapore base, but generally all the Dominion Navies had gone backwards since the war. Admiral Grant urged propaganda in the Dominions to bring home the need for a strong Navy for protection of the Empire and its trade. He also urged a general Imperial naval policy which would define what was considered the minimum requirements for the Empire. Should the Dominion Navies grow and include capital ships, they would form an integral part of the One-Power standard agreed upon at Washington. In that case the British Navy would be put in a poor condition compared to other Powers.

In the discussion which followed, Admiral Sir W. Goodenough regretted that in the Dominions people inland did not realise that their safety lay as much on the high seas being kept as on their roads inland. In South Africa both Dutch and English were losing their sea sense. Admiral Sir Doveton Sturdee said we had recently had a General Election, and the only mention of the Navy was when some politician "to crab" the Singapore naval base. The Empire was like the human body. As it grew up it expected the limbs to protect themselves. Our limbs were the Dominions, and there might come a cold wind when they would be frost-bitten or they might even be cut off. We were creating a new force, in the air, while at the same time we reduced our Navy. Airmen had to be carried by ships. He urged the encouragement of a sea sense, and that our naval policy should be removed from any question of politics. Singapore was a link between us and New Zealand and Australia, and that was the only point the politicians had attacked and tried to scarp.

AN ISLAND CELEBRATION

Tristan Da Cunha "Baby's Day."

The Rev. H. M. Rogers, writes to the Times from Tristan Da Cunha.

Six months had passed without a word from the outside world. The Tristan people, however, had resolved on a merry-making. The potato harvest had failed badly, and in consequence the staple food of the people was very short; a run of bad sea weather had hindered fishing all the season; and every one was feeling the pinch. Even the penguins were late in coming up and fewer, so eggs were also scarce. But September 21 was the first anniversary of the birth of the one and only English baby ever born on the island, and all had saved stores from those brought by H.M.S. Dublin for the day's celebration.

Early in the morning both the bells were rung, and the baby was saluted by the firing of all the guns of the island. Soon after 4 a.m. every house had its flag flying—a tattered collection of flags of the International Signal Code with which the people formerly signalled to passing ships, and quite 30 years old. The fattest sheep had been picked out and killed, eight in number, and all the women set to and made and boiled over 40 puddings. The boiling was done in tins for lack of saucepans, and several fires were made outside the houses.

The menu was elaborate for Tristan, consisting of stuffed and roast mutton, roast pork, potatoes, roast and boiled, jam tart, and boiled plum and currant suet pudding. Tea and cold water were the beverages, and every one declared it the biggest feast known on Tristan.

A RECORD KILLING.

The killing of eight sheep for one birthday celebration was a "record." In the rare event of a wedding, a feast is given to all the islanders, but they say that have never exceeded five sheep before. Dinner had to be held in two houses, as there was not one big enough to seat everybody. After dinner the remains of the feast were shared out "to be taken home." There was a crowd and hearty thanksgiving in St. Mary's Church.

Everybody visited the baby and brought a present. There were hide moccasins, penguin feather mats, sheepskin mats, knitted socks, indurible sea-shells, polished oxtongues, goose, fowl, and penguin eggs, cow's milk, butter (a rarity here), a live black lamb, sheep ready for cooking, little "cappies" which the women had made, a variety of home-made frocks, woollen slippers, and perhaps most interesting of all, an authenticated Nelson relic—namely, an earring worn by Thomas Swain, one of the original settlers, who was the seaman on H. M. S. Victory who caught the dying Nelson in his arms when the great hero fell shot by the enemy. Amongst Swain's descendants there survives to-day a very old woman who is his granddaughter, and she had heard from him as a child of his love for his admiral.

We were very tired at the end of the day and retired early, only to get up again at 10.15 p.m., when we heard the cry, "Tail ho!" and saw a big steamer far out on the horizon. We hurriedly wrote some letters and put the lantern on the wireless pole. It was a moonlight and calm night. The older men said the ship was going to pass, and was too far out for our men to get her. However, one boat with 16 on board put out, but failed to reach the ship, and, disappointed, they went to the other side of the island for penguin eggs. Over 4,700 of these have been taken this year.

Strange to say, two more steamers were sighted in the morning, but both too far out. Neither of the skippers would approach the island. In view of the pressing needs of the people, who are always glad to get near a ship for trade or barter purposes, will captains of ships please slow down and come closer in if weather permits? Fresh meat, good water, and potatoes are available here, and island curios, too.

POCKET-PICKING AS AN ART.

Described by a "Goodman" Yard detective as the "cleverest pickpocket" in the West-end, William Davis, aged 36, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment at the London Sessions. He is the only pickpocket in the West-end who has been known to take a watch from a man's waistcoat pocket, to return it to his victim and then take the chain without the man knowing what was going on. Davis pleaded guilty to two charges of attempting to steal watches and chains.

MUSICAL THERAPEUTICS.

A Long-Neglected Study.

Modern medicine, for all its achievements, has troubled itself so little about the therapeutic powers of music that any book on this subject excites our interest. It is indeed probably the only branch of medical science in which Tutankhamen's doctors knew more than the physicians of to-day. We all remember how David played the harp to the sick Saul, so that "he was refreshed and was well and the evil spirit departed from him." The man of the ancient world regarded music as the cure for many ills. So nice was their discrimination that they affected to distinguish between the curative properties of different instruments and even of the various modes. But whilst in other directions our knowledge has incomparably grown, whilst in physiology, in diagnosis and in pathology we proceed with a certainty no other age has known, we are still groping for light in that region where physiology and psychology meet. In other words, we have much to learn about the influence of the emotions on the health of the body.

Dr. Agnes Savill's book therefore (Music, Health and Character, John Lane, 7s. 6d. net) which deals in part with the effects of music on the human organism is all the more welcome.

During the last generation psychoanalysis has done a good deal to map out this difficult country. Musical-therapeutics attack the same problem from another side. Where psychoanalysis seeks to secure a healthy flow of the emotions by eliminating the impurities which by repression have contaminated the well-spring of our inner life, music in its capacity as healer provides a pure source of emotion which the receptive listener can draw upon. Both are aspects of the moral purification, the catharsis, to which Aristotle attributes the virtues of tragedy. Only in these cases the moral has also a physical aim, which is by means of the purging of our bodies.

INSTANCES OF ITS POWER.

The question of immediate importance to us, therefore, is how music can be used to provide this boon to suffering humanity. "The physician of the future" (says Dr. Savill) cannot disclaim responsibility, and hope to be absolved by sheltering under the plea that he is unmusical. American doctors are more alive to the question than we are; and I have before me an article by one of them, in which he gives some remarkable results that music has achieved. In an asylum, 72 per cent. of the patients who were submitted to carefully chosen musical treatment improved, 38 per cent. being completely cured. Herr Kreisler relates how a young woman in Western America was cured of a fever by having a certain record played over several times. And there is the well-authenticated case of Mrs. Dora Muntz of New York, who in 1919 was cured of sleeping sickness, after it had held her in its grip for 102 days, by Hoffmann's playing of a Schubert Sonata. A Liszt Rhapsody had previously been ineffective, which bears out the experience of the ancient Greeks that the music had to be specially chosen to suit the disease.

Unfortunately music, like other precious things, is a taste that has to be acquired. One cannot at 60, when the mechanism of the body requires to be refurbished, develop a liking for music sufficient for it to be able to rejuvenate us through the stirring of the emotions, as the liver is stirred through riding in the Park. In America, where the young are trained to appreciate music, future doctors will have excellent material to which to apply their musical cures. Let us hope that the therapeutic function of music will become better defined as the result of the attention it is now receiving. We have neglected it too long. It is time our doctors directed their attention to the respective curative properties of Bach and Mozart, who are destined, we may believe to figure amongst the great healers of the future.

NOTICE

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1924, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1923.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, 11th February, to Saturday, 23rd February, 1924 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following resolution:

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hong Kong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinance under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000, and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issue in the following manner:

(a) So that the whole of the increase (namely \$10,000,000) of such ordinary note issue shall be secured by coin or bullion or approved securities.

(b) To provide that whatever the total amount of the note issue may be at any particular time the amount of coin as distinct from bullion or approved securities to be deposited by the Corporation shall never be less than one third of the total amount of the bills in actual circulation.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTY-SEVEN ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD. on Monday, February 25th, 1924 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December, 31st, 1923.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Thursday February 14th 1924 to Monday February 25th 1924, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong 5th Feb. 1924.

NOTICE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STOCK EXCHANGE will be closed on WEDNESDAY 20th, THURSDAY 21st, FRIDAY 22nd and SATURDAY 23rd inst.

By Order of the Committee
P. TESTER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1924.

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THE THIRTY FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Charter Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday the 4th March 1924, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1923, and declaring a dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Tuesday the 19th February 1924 until Tuesday the 4th day of March, 1924, both days inclusive. By order of the Board of Directors,
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Hongkong 11th Feb. 1924.

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By order of the Board of Directors, JOHN ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th Feb. 1924.

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By Order of the Committee J. W. KEW, Secretary.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George Building, on Monday, 3rd March 1924, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1923, and electing Directors and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 23rd February to 3rd March 1924, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. LTD., Agents, Hongkong, 12th Feb. 1924.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE Nineteenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd. on Thursday the 6th March 1924 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1923.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 22nd February to 6th March 1924 both days inclusive.

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Victoria, on THURSDAY, the

28th February 1924 at 11 o'clock

a.m. for the purpose of receiving

a statement of accounts and the

report of the General Managers

for the year ending 31st Decem-

ber, 1923, and electing a Con-

sulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the

Company will be closed from

Thursday the 21st February

1924 until Thursday 28th

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SHEWAN TOMES & CO

General Managers

Hongkong, 9th February 1924.

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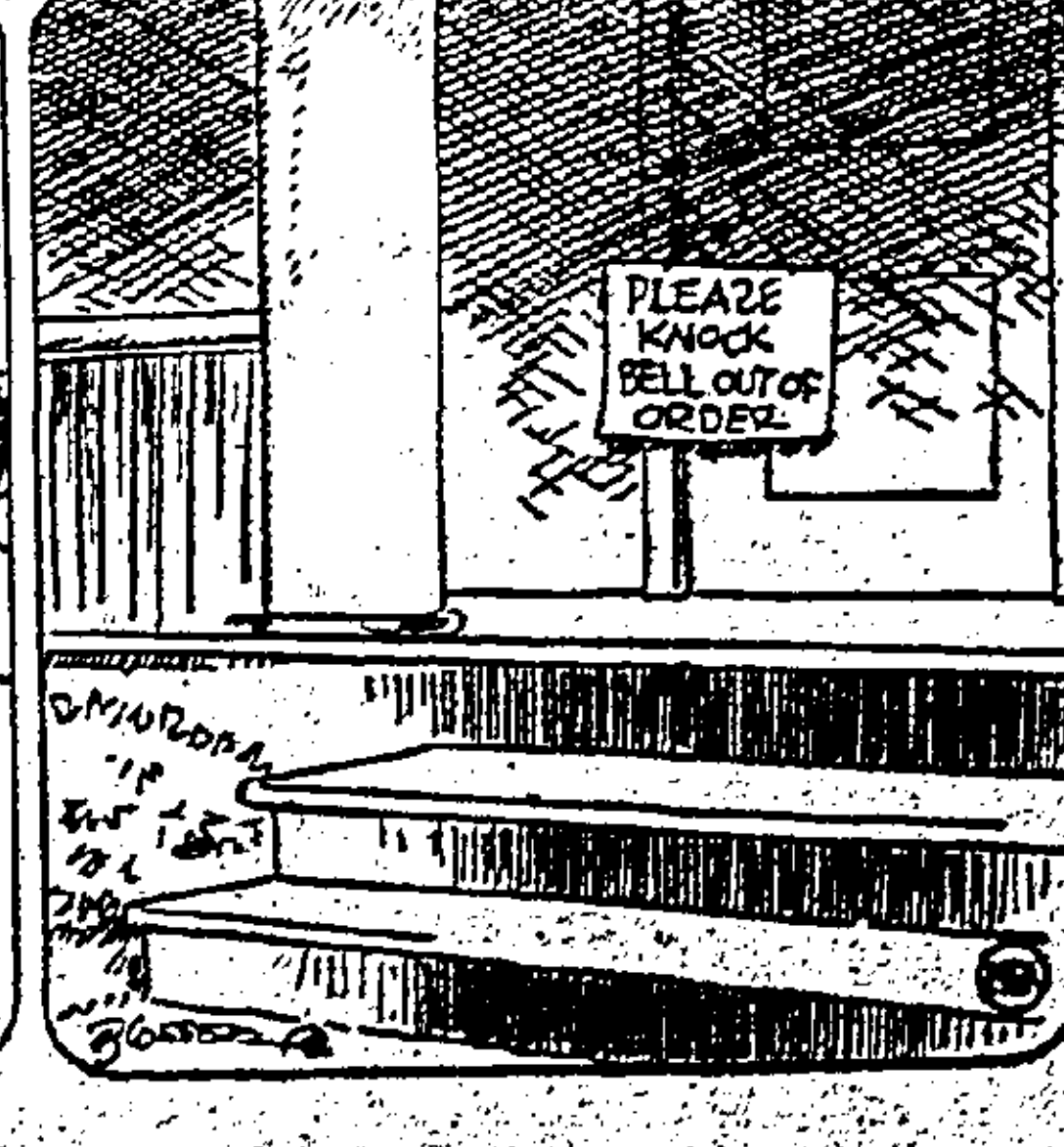
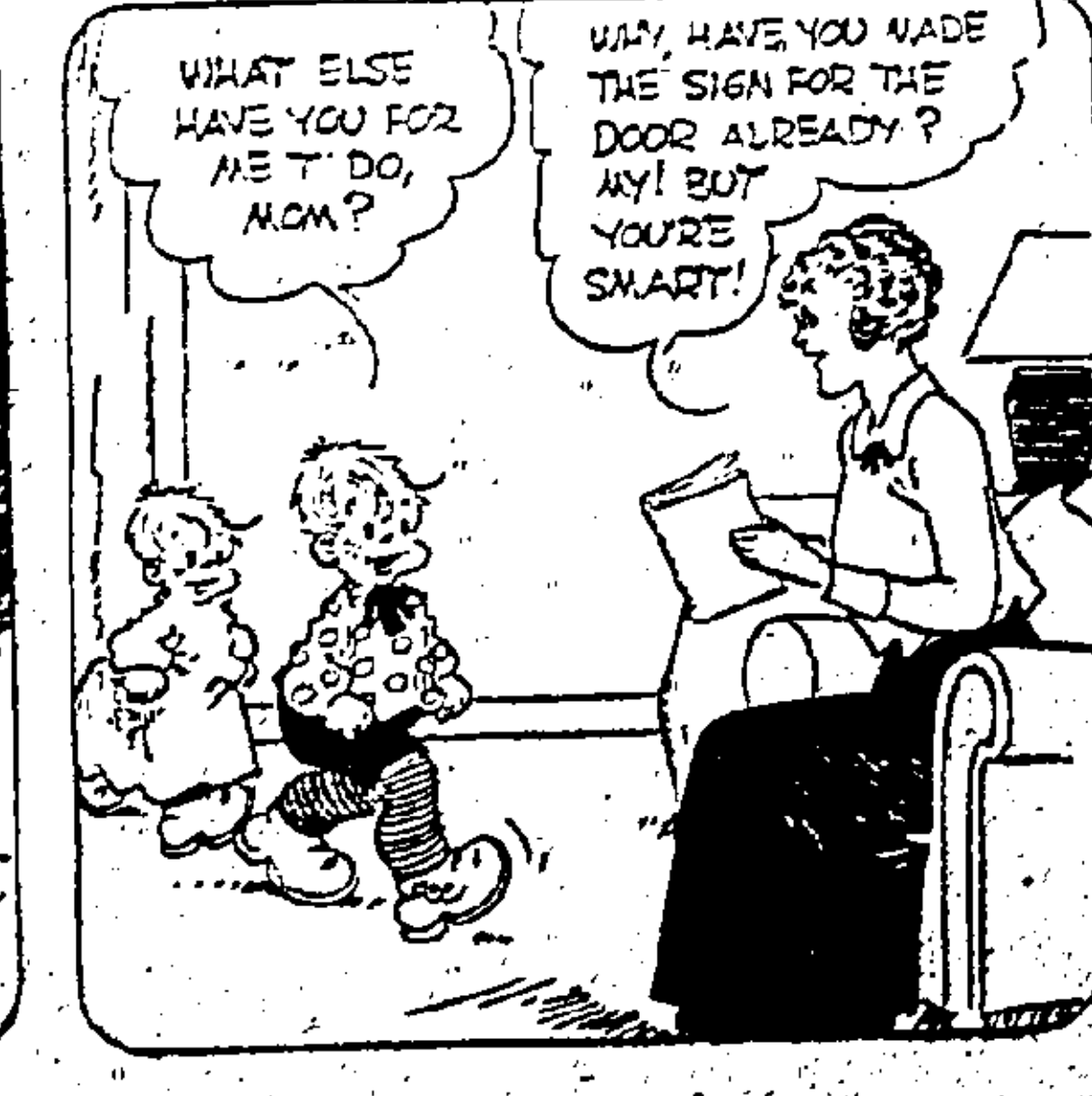
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Chan Chik Yue, formerly Civil Governor of the Kwong-tung Province, and a brother of the late Mr. Chan Kang Yue, will be in attendance between 10 and 11 a.m. on Saturday, the 23rd instant, to receive those friends who desire to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased gentleman at No. 10 Glenally. Callers will find it convenient to leave their cars waiting on Caine Road, at the top of Arbuthnot Road. The funeral will take place in the afternoon of the same day, the cortege leaving the premises at 2 p.m.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 22nd Feb. 1924.

THE "ON LEE" INCIDENT.

The incident on the s.s. "On Lee," whether it arose from the presence of pirates on board or whether it was given rise to by the foolish discharge of a firearm on the part of someone unconnected with pirates, has at least established the fact that the Chief Officer, Mr. P. Martin, has command of a presence of mind and that he acted in a highly commendable manner. To have rallied the Indian Guards together as he did and to have put the ship in darkness with the object of hampering and possibly frustrating the efforts of pirates—had there been any—acts for which he is to be very highly commended.

It is comparatively easy for one to imagine the discharge of a firearm, or even the firing of a cracker, giving rise to the belief that pirates were on board and, even if they were not, it were safer to presume that they were and take all necessary action. But assuming for the moment that there were no pirates—and latest reports lend colour to that assumption—then the action of the Indian Guards in firing as they undoubtedly did seems to strengthen the plea which has been put forward by the China Coast Guilds of Officers and Engineers that there should be no guards on board at all. If any lives had been lost it could have been argued that it was the result of the firing of the guards, and it is a none too pleasant thought from the passengers' point of view. We understand that it has been submitted by the two Guilds that all guards should be withdrawn, that grills should

be abolished and that the only protection needed is that of constant and vigilant patrol or convoy boats. Protection comes better and safer from without, they say in effect, than it ever could from within a ship. The Guilds hold that grills are a menace to the safety of passengers in times of distress, and the presence of armed guards on a passenger boat is always liable to result in unfortunate incidents. Let us assume that there were would-be pirates on the "On Lee," they would never have dared to act had there been an escorting or conveying armed vessel in attendance.

The local authorities are all against the removal of the guards or the doing away of the grills, but we think that a dispassionate and honest survey of the whole matter will prove the forcefulness of the contention that protection can best be given by someone outside the ship on which pirates might become active. For this reason we have already warmly approved of the Government's intention to institute a convoy system regarding vessels going to Canton and Kongmoon and it is to be hoped that the inception of this system will not be too long delayed.

A Real "Sport."

Chief Petty Officer Callaghan's prompt acceptance of the challenge issued by Knute Hansen, the big heavyweight, stamps him as a true sportsman. He is a much smaller-built man than the twenty-year-old Dane, whose record of successes against good men would be sufficient to deter many an amateur from agreeing to face him in the ring. Hansen is known to be a terrific hitter, and it is on record that one of the men he put out in the States took some two hours to recover from the shock. However, Callaghan is evidently not scared at what the stranger may be able to accomplish in this direction, and, as intimated yesterday, he is quite prepared to take up the challenge. In the opinion of many, he is taking on a very tough job, but seemingly his attitude is that, holding the title, he is in honour bound to defend it if challenged. The question now arises whether the Boxing Association will stage the fight. Callaghan makes his acceptance provisional on the inclusion of the contest in the next tournament. Hansen, we learn, has left for Shanghai to-day, but he will be within easy reach and is quite prepared to come down again to fight Callaghan or any other heavyweight. His attitude is that if there is more than one man here aspiring to champion-ship honours, he would prefer to meet the lot in succession, so that there will be no question of his merely testing the issue on one contest. Local boxing enthusiasts will await further developments with much interest.

Labour and Strikes.

The Labour Government appears to be doing quite well in the matter of helping to settle big industrial disputes. It came into office under most inauspicious circumstances from the fact that there was a railway strike of considerable magnitude in full swing. Intervening, it was able to assist towards a settlement, and it has certainly done its utmost with regard to the strike of dockers. Up till yesterday it looked as if this latter dispute might lead to most serious consequences, for there was every prospect of it spreading to many other ports. This would have meant further interference with the country's food supplies, whilst, in addition, it would have caused much interruption to shipping, in which connection Hongkong would not be wholly disinterested. However, thanks to the good offices of the Ministry of Labour, the dispute looks nearer adjustment than it has been since it first broke out, and we hope there will be an early resumption at all the affected ports. It looks as if Labour Ministers know how to deal with problems of this character, and if the advent of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Ministry has no other result than the speedy settlement of industrial upheavals, then that will indeed be something for which to be thankful.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE VANITY OF THIS WORLD. EACH SPOKE IN THE WHEEL THINKS THE WHOLE STRENGTH OF THE WHEEL DEPENDS UPON IT.—H. W. Shaw.

The Bogey Pool Competition, play at Fanning on 16th and 17th inst., was won by Mr. E. H. O'Farrell, 1 up.

The Earl of Latham, Lady Barbara Seymour and Lady Katherine Howard left yesterday by the s.s. City of Canterbury.

Shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are reminded that the Bank's meeting takes place to-morrow at 11.30 a.m. at the City Hall.

The Colonial Secretary advises us that a meeting will be held in the Sanitary Board Room at noon on Tuesday, 26th inst., to discuss the Forty Years' Lease Scheme.

Amongst the passengers who left by the s.s. President Jefferson to-day were Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Dollar, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Wood and Mr. H. W. Ray.

To-day being the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, all men-of-war in harbour are dressed overall. The crews of American ships are being granted extended shore leave.

A very interesting ceremony took place in St. Andrew's Church Hall last evening in connection with the St. Andrew's troop of Boy Scouts, fifteen boys "making the promise" in the presence of quite a number of parents and sympathisers. The investiture was carried out by the Scoutmaster of the Troop, Mrs. Arrowsmith, the Cub Mistress, being also present. After the ceremony, the Rev. G. R. Lindsay addressed the boys, following which Scout games were played.

A small dance was held last night by the Dockyard Recreation Club, in the Theatre of the Seamen's Institute. Arrangements were in the hands of the General Secretary, Mr. Budden, assisted by Mr. Grantham. A sextette of extremely capable instrumentalists calling themselves "The Black Cat Band," provided excellent dance music, their efforts being repeatedly encored. Dancing was continued until midnight. This is the last dance of the Recreation Club's season, we understand.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include a photograph of Dr. Thompson, who was recently captured by bandits, as well as several most interesting pictures which he took during his travels on the Tibet border, including one of the monastery at which Brigadier General Periera died; a photograph of the recently opened Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow; a group taken at the wedding of Lieut. R. R. Beauchamp, R.N., and Miss Millicent Nicholl; and a photograph of a fine life-size portrait of himself which Sir Paul Chater has presented to the Ex-Active Service Men's Association.

WATERBOAT CO.

THE YEAR'S PROFITS.

The annual report of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., states that the profit for the year, after writing off depreciation and including balance brought forward from last account, amounts to \$57,951.46, which the Consulting Committee recommend applying as follows:—Transfer to Special Repairs Fund \$5,000; Transfer to Insurance Fund, \$4,000; Transfer to New Waterboat Building Fund; \$10,000; to pay a dividend of \$1.25 per share on 27,723 shares which will absorb \$34,653.75; carry forward to 1924, \$4,297.71.

Consulting Committee.—Since the last meeting Mr. K. H. Kamel has resigned and Mr. Y. Yamamoto has joined the committee. Auditor:—The accounts under review have been audited by Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A.

"ON LEE" AFFAIR.

WHAT THE POLICE THINK

PIRACY ATTEMPT DOUBTED.

On enquiries this morning at Police Headquarters, we were informed that as far as present investigations go, there is little to support the idea that any real attempt at piracy was made when the s.s. "On Lee" was on the way to Kongmoon on Wednesday night, subsequently returning here under circumstances already reported.

It seems well established that someone did fire a pistol shot, and there was a genuine alarm later. The alarm bells on the bridge were rung, and the Chief Officer turned the guards out, believing that a piracy was about to be attempted. Possibly in order to intimidate the supposed pirates, there was later a deal of shooting by the guards, but up to the present it has not been established that there was anybody aboard the boat with piratical intentions.

This is as much as the police are able to state at the moment but investigations are still being continued, the "On Lee" still lying at the naval anchorage this morning.

The smart work of the Chief Officer and others responsible for the safety of the ship has been recognised by the passengers, who have written a joint letter to the owners of the vessel expressing their appreciation of their devotion to duty, which they hope will be appropriately rewarded.

"TOBY, M.P."

Death of Sir Henry Lucy.

A Reuter's telegram announces the death of Sir Henry Lucy, well-known for many years as "Toby, M.P.," under which name he contributed his famous Parliamentary diary in *Punch*.

The late Sir Henry Lucy, who was 78 years of age, started life as an apprentice to a Liverpool merchant, but he soon drifted into journalism. He joined the staff of the *Shrewsbury Chronicle* in 1864 as chief reporter, and later went to Paris to study language and literature. He returned to London and joined the staff of the new morning edition of the *Pull Mall Gazette* in 1870, whilst three years later he became attached to the *Daily News* as a special correspondent and then joined the Gallery staff as writer of that paper's Parliamentary summary. In 1886, he became editor of the *Daily News*, but he resigned that post in the following year, preferring his earlier vocation in the Press Gallery. He also contributed for many years Cross Bench articles to the *Observer*. In 1881, he started to write for *Punch*, creating the character of "Toby, M.P.," and retired in 1916. The late Sir Henry Lucy was a prolific writer, and he was the author of numerous publications. In 1912, he wrote "Sixty Years in the Wilderness," whilst later he published "Nearing Jordan," which formed a pleasing continuation of his recollections, which were supplemented in 1922 by "The Diary of a Journalist."

"THE QUANTS."

ALL READY FOR TO-NIGHT.

Headed by that cheery personage, R. B. Salisbury, "The Quants" arrived in port to-day by the P. & O. liner Khyber and all is now ready for the opening of their season at the Theatre Royal to-night, when the First Edition of "The Nine O'Clock Revue" will be presented. This is guaranteed the absolutely original production from the Little Theatre, London, with original dresses, etc. It is being repeated to-morrow and is said to be a really magnificent production. "The Beggar's Opera" is another star piece and Mr. Salisbury assures us that this also is being given in its entirety as in London.

The attention of the public is drawn to the fact that "Underground to Anywhere" is being played instead of "Polly" on Thursday. This is a most successful show, and includes the famous "banana" skit.

CANDIDATE.



Mr. James W. Cox, who is again to stand as Democratic candidate for the U.S. Presidency.

FRENCH POLITICS.

M. POINCARE SAFE IN PREMIERSHIP.

Paris, Feb. 27.
The Senate, by 150 votes to 134, rejected a proposal to revert to the system of single-member constituencies, in the debate on the Electoral Reform Bill. M. Poincare, earlier in the debate, made the question one of confidence. He denied that his attitude was a pretext for laying down office. The Chamber, by 365 votes to 188 adopted Article 36 of the Finance Bill, abolishing the match monopoly. This was the most hotly contested Article in the Bill after Articles 1 and 3. The Government made it a vote of confidence.

The result of to-day's divisions is that M. Poincare is practically assured of the Premiership, at least until after the elections. The Government's victory in the Senate is attributed to a large number of abstainers who were hostile on the immediate issue but unwilling to create a Ministerial crisis at the present international juncture. M. Jeanneney, President of the electoral Commission, in the course of the debate in the Senate, bitterly complained that M. Poincare was placing the Senate in an unworthy position, compelling the House to vote for a measure with which two thirds of the members disagreed.—*Reuter*.

OIL LEASE PROSECUTION.

Washington, Feb. 21.
The Senate has adopted the House of Representatives' resolution appropriating \$100,000 for the prosecution in the oil lease cases.—*Reuter's American Service*.

New York, Feb. 21.
Mr. Harry Sinclair expects to give evidence before the Senate Oil Committee early next week. Mr. Sinclair remarked to interviewers that the present excitement is largely a matter of policy and he drew attention to the fact that there will be two Presidential Conventions this year.—*Reuter's American Service*.

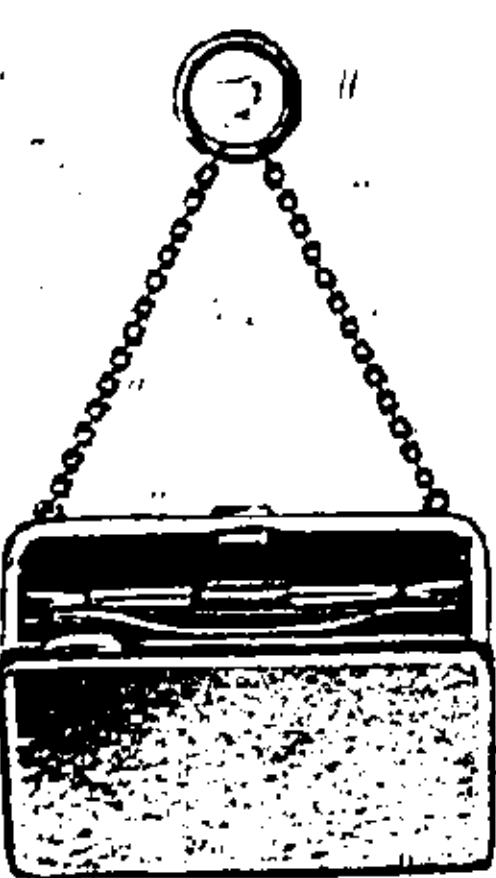
U. S. AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO.

Washington, Feb. 21.
President Coolidge has transmitted to the Senate the nomination of Mr. Warren, former Ambassador to Japan, as Ambassador to Mexico.—*Reuter's American Service*.

GERMAN CAPITAL ABROAD.

Paris, Feb. 21.
The Second Committee of Experts has reached an estimate of the amount of German capital sent abroad and will now determine means of repatriating it.—*Reuter*.

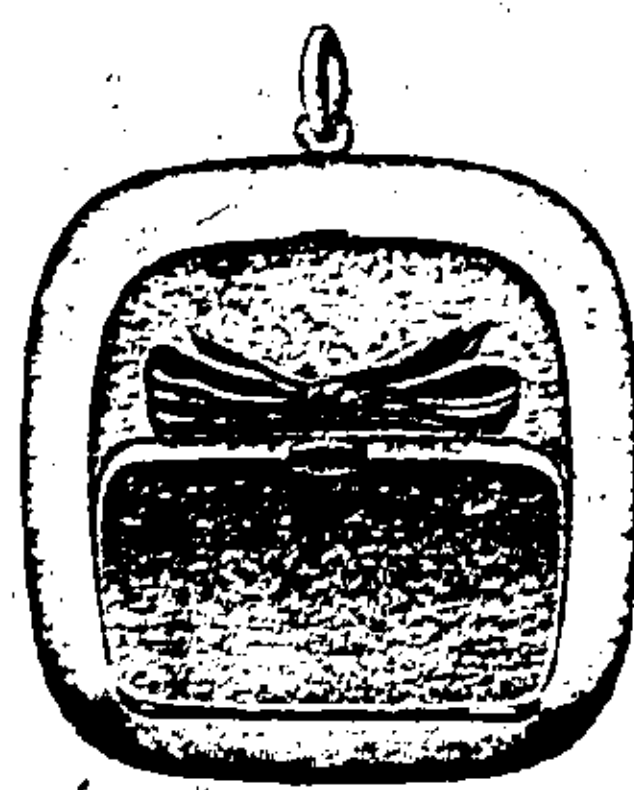
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(Reuter's Service.)

London, February 21.
In the House of Commons, a volley of criticising questions followed an announcement by Mr. Ammon that the Government had decided, in view of the serious unemployment, to proceed with the laying down of five cruisers—(Labour cries of "Oh" and Opposition cheers)—three of which will be built in the Royal Dockyards, and also two destroyers. Tenders will be invited immediately so that the work can be proceeded with as soon as Parliament has given its sanction.

Replying to Col. Amery, Mr. Ammon said the depot ships and other items of the programme which Col. Amery had previously submitted to the House, were still being considered.

Mr. Harris asked whether these boats were actually needed for the defence of the country urgently, and would it not be better to use the money in more productive ways.—(loud Ministerial cheers).

Mr. Thurtle asked whether or not this decision was to be taken as a great moral gesture to the world.

A Labourite asked whether account would be taken of the fact that the laying down of these cruisers might lead to the laying down of further cruisers by foreign countries which would lead to a possible catastrophe, thus creating far more unemployment.

Mr. Ammon, replying, contended that the ships were largely replacements and not really adding to our weight of armaments.

Mr. Pringle asked leave to move the adjournment as a matter of urgent public importance.

All Liberals and over half the Ministerialists present supported the motion, which will be discussed this evening.

The Opposition ironically cheered the fact that some of the Labourites did not support the motion.

Why Not a War?

The Liberals were the principal critics of the Government when Mr. Pringle moved the adjournment, mentioned earlier, in order to draw attention to the Government's shipbuilding proposals. Commander Kenworthy ironically commented on this method for the pacification of Europe and asked, as a logical conclusion, why the Government had not sought to cure and relieve unemployment by embarking on a first-class war on somebody.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald explained that the ships would not be laid down until the House had sanctioned the expenditure when the Estimates came up. He declared that the vessels were purely for replacement purposes, adding that the Government could not carry out its disarmament pledges by allowing the Navy to disappear by wastage from the bottom—(Opposition cheers). The whole question of our future naval programme was now being explored and until the completion of this, no decision would be reached.

Future Discharges.

Mr. MacDonald stated that 2,250 men were to be discharged from the Royal Dockyards in March if fresh construction were not undertaken. This would be increased by another 2,500 in March 1925. He declared that when he came into office the Government begged public authorities, the War Office and the Admiralty to put work in hand with a view to relieving unemployment, and the present proposal arose therefrom.

Colonel Amery strongly supported the Government and was only sorry the Government had not seen its way to carry out the whole programme of the late Government, namely, eight cruisers and a considerable number of other vessels, including aircraft carriers.

Mr. Pringle's motion was rejected by 372 votes to 73.

THE DOCK STRIKE.

ANOTHER UNFAVOURABLE OUTLOOK.

DOUBTS REGARDING ENDORSEMENT.

London, February 21.
There is a more unfavourable outlook regarding the endorsement of the strike settlement in view of the fact that the dockers at Manchester, Salford and Newcastle have instructed their delegates to accept nothing less than an immediate two shillings advance and declassification.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, in the House of Commons, paid a tribute to Mr. Shaw's skill and patience and hoped that the dispute would finally be settled to-night, and permit a resumption of work to-morrow.

Conference Adjourns.

The dockers' delegate conference to consider whether it should endorse the provisional terms of the settlement adjourned after a long sitting until to-morrow, no decision being taken. It is understood that the port areas are sharply divided.

A FANTASTIC STORY.

THE PREMIER INVOLVED.

London, February 21.
A fantastic story is being circulated in Melbourne that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has issued instructions to the officers of the Special Service Squadron which will "considerably nullify any jingo patriotism," by ordering them not to make any political distinctions during their stay in Australia. This has caused some sensation as it was published on the eve of the squadron's arrival. Doubts have been expressed by Australian newspapers as to the genuineness of the story, which Mr. MacDonald to-day authorised Reuter to deny emphatically. Mr. MacDonald says there is not a single word of truth in the story. The source of the story is unknown and Downing Street is completely puzzled.

GERMANY'S CAPACITY TO PAY.

NO QUESTION OF RESTORING COLONIES.

Paris, February 21.
The First Committee of Experts is observing the strictest secrecy in drafting its report on the financial situation in Germany. It is stated, however, that there is no truth in the rumour that the experts have discussed the restoration of the German Colonies with a view to increasing her capacity to pay. Such a solution has apparently not even been touched upon.

There is reason to believe that the experts are struck by the enormous expenditure by Germany on domestic works, particularly the improvement in internal communications.

"KWONG TAK" PIRATES.

FORTY-ONE TO BE SHOT.

In connection with the pirating of the steam launch Kwong Tak and the subsequent battle with the Chinese revenue launch Paktau, resulting in the sinking of the former launch and the capture of over forty men and two women, official advices have been received in Hongkong from Canton that forty-one of the pirates have been sentenced to be shot, the two women to be imprisoned for ten years.

ASSAULT ON LADY.

AMERICAN SAILORS FINED.

The two seamen from the U.S. destroyer Peritt, Oliver Williams (a negro) and Edward Hurley (an American) were again before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning on charges of disorderly conduct and assault brought by Mrs. Wood, wife of Sanitary Inspector R. R. Wood.

One of the accused gave evidence to the effect that Mrs. Wood was doubtful about the identification parade, but his Worship came to the conclusion that the accused were the right men, but said it was unfortunate that Mrs. Wood had used the words—"Do you think you are in the States?"

Both men were convicted and fined \$25 each.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Some personalities of the new Parliament.—The grandson of a Charist. A great-grandson of Wedgwood, the famous potter. A son of Sir Alfred Mond, himself defeated, and two sons of Mr. Arthur Henderson, who was also defeated. A brother of the late Mr. Keir Hardie. One who started life as a shoeblack and another as a newsboy. A Socialist who has been in turn a farm labourer, a coal miner, a co-operative employee, and a trade union official. The leader of the first Mount Everest Expedition. A crack shot who has twice made second rooves for the Elcho shield.

The London booksellers did good business at Christmas. They expected to, and were not disappointed. The occurrence of the General Election at a time inconvenient for their trade filled the booksellers with disgust, but they should have recouped their losses through the Christmas demand. Both in the City and West End the bookshops were a remarkably flourishing sight in the days before Christmas. The staff of assistants might be increased for the occasion, yet it was a hard task to attend to the swarm of customers as quickly as was desirable. Every year the favour shown to books as presents appears to increase. One wonders what becomes of them all. If they were read, marked, and learnt in every case what a literary city London would be! Perhaps it really is, and takes pains to disguise its complexion. One demand from book-buyers the shops find it hard to meet out of their modern store. That is the demand, not for fiction of the prevailing patterns, but for "a good story." Good stories are rarely written nowadays, if we except those of the "shocker" or "detective" variety, of which there are one or two first-rate living professors.

CAMPHOR MARKETS.

The Industry in Indo-China.

"L'Economiste Europeen" states that one of the probable consequences of the great Japanese earthquake will be interference with the camphor industry, and more particularly with the celluloid industry.

The principal producer of camphor is Formosa, which gives on an average 1,600,000 kilos a year, and of this Japan absorbs practically the whole which she uses for lighting, for the manufacture of lacquers, for the purification of fats for soap making, and finally in the manufacture of celluloid. The Journal remarks that in the face of the new disaster in Japan these facts should encourage the development of the camphor industry in Indo-China, the proximity of Formosa, and above all the possibility of increased camphor production in Tongking making this desirable. Indo-China would benefit by establishing this industry for the manufacture of celluloid and to increase her production of lacquer.

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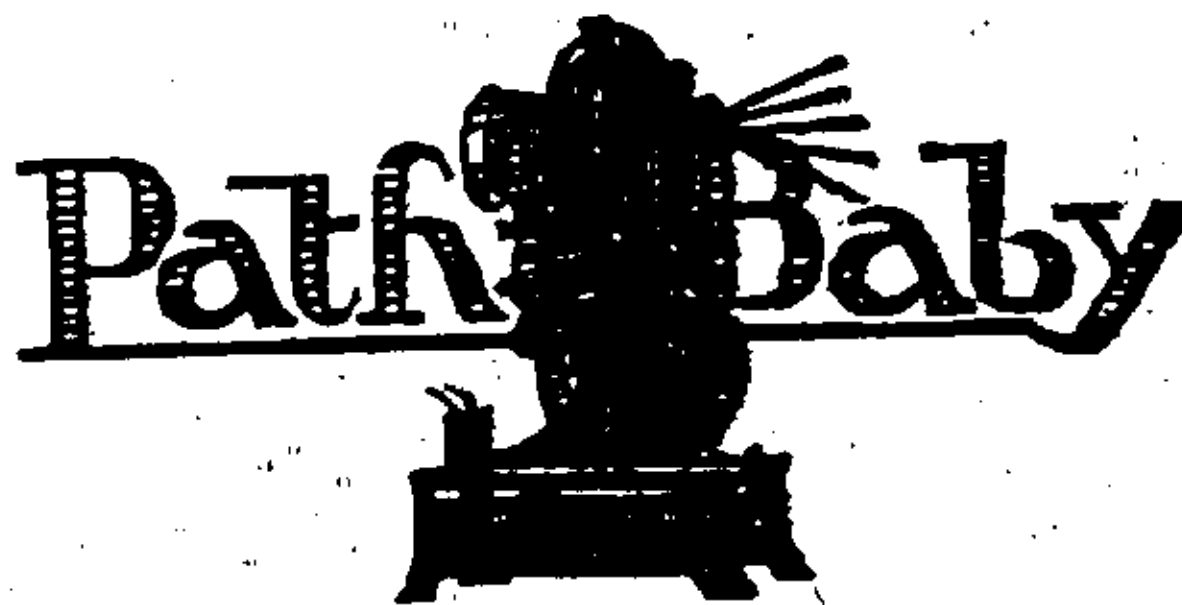
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WEATHER REPORT.

Feb. 22d. 11h. 40m.—Pressure has increased moderately from Chefoo to Shanghai and decreased slightly over Formosa. It is nearly stationary in other districts.

The anticyclone is central to the north of Chefoo.

The depression is still shown over Tongking.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.32 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.47 inches, against an average of 2.71 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, fresh.

2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooks. E. winds, moderate; overcast; occasional rain.

3 H'kong to Gap Rock.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.

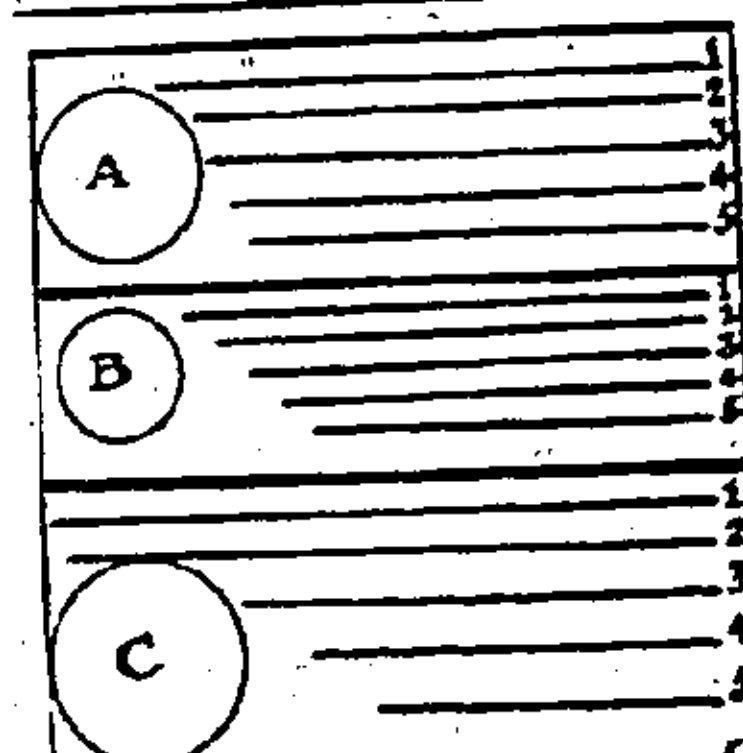
T. F. CLAXTON Director.
Hongkong, Feb. 22.

CANCER EXPERIMENTS.

At the Cancer Institute in Berlin, patients are now being treated with a Japanese preparation called "Carcinolyzin."

The preparation represents a ferment made up of a Chinese plant known as "Halsung" the sap of pines and that of another tree.

TEASERS



No. 6—The Deceptive Circle

There are three circles, A, B and C, in the diagram. Alongside of each circle are five straight lines. One of the lines beside Circle A is exactly the length of the distance around the circle; one of the lines beside Circle B is exactly the same in length as the distance around B, and the same is true of Circle C and one of the five lines beside it. The test is as follows: Without measuring the lines, estimate which line you think is equal to the circumference or distance around Circle A. Do the same with Circles B and C. Do not take more than a minute to do it. Try this teaser on your friends. The test will be checked tomorrow.

Yesterday's Teaser

The order of the squares, according to the number of dots in each, was as follows: 1, 6, 8, 2, 7, 3, 5, 4. There are two mistakes that the average person will make: one is estimating 7 ahead of 2, the other placing 5 ahead of 3. If no mistakes are made, the rating is very good. One of the two common mistakes, good. Both mistakes, average. Three or more errors, poor. Copyright, 1923, by Public Ledger Company.

A German medical newspaper says 3,417 cases of cancer have been treated in this way in Japan, 400 "cures" being reported, and improvement registered in over 2,000 instances.

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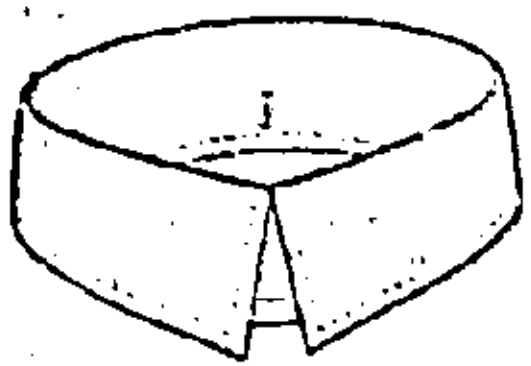
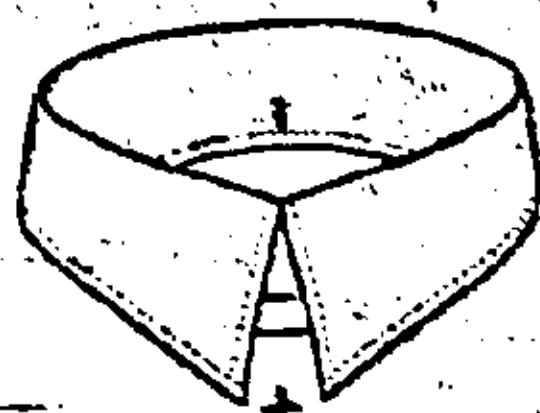
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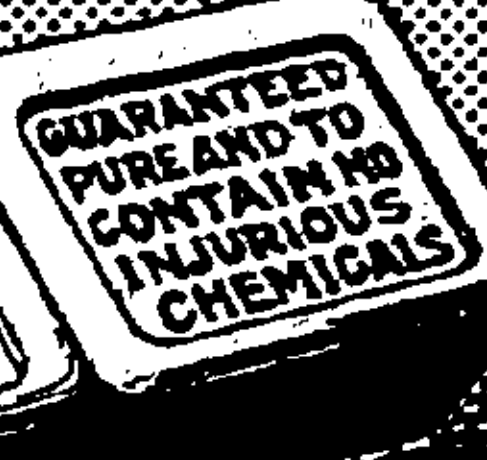
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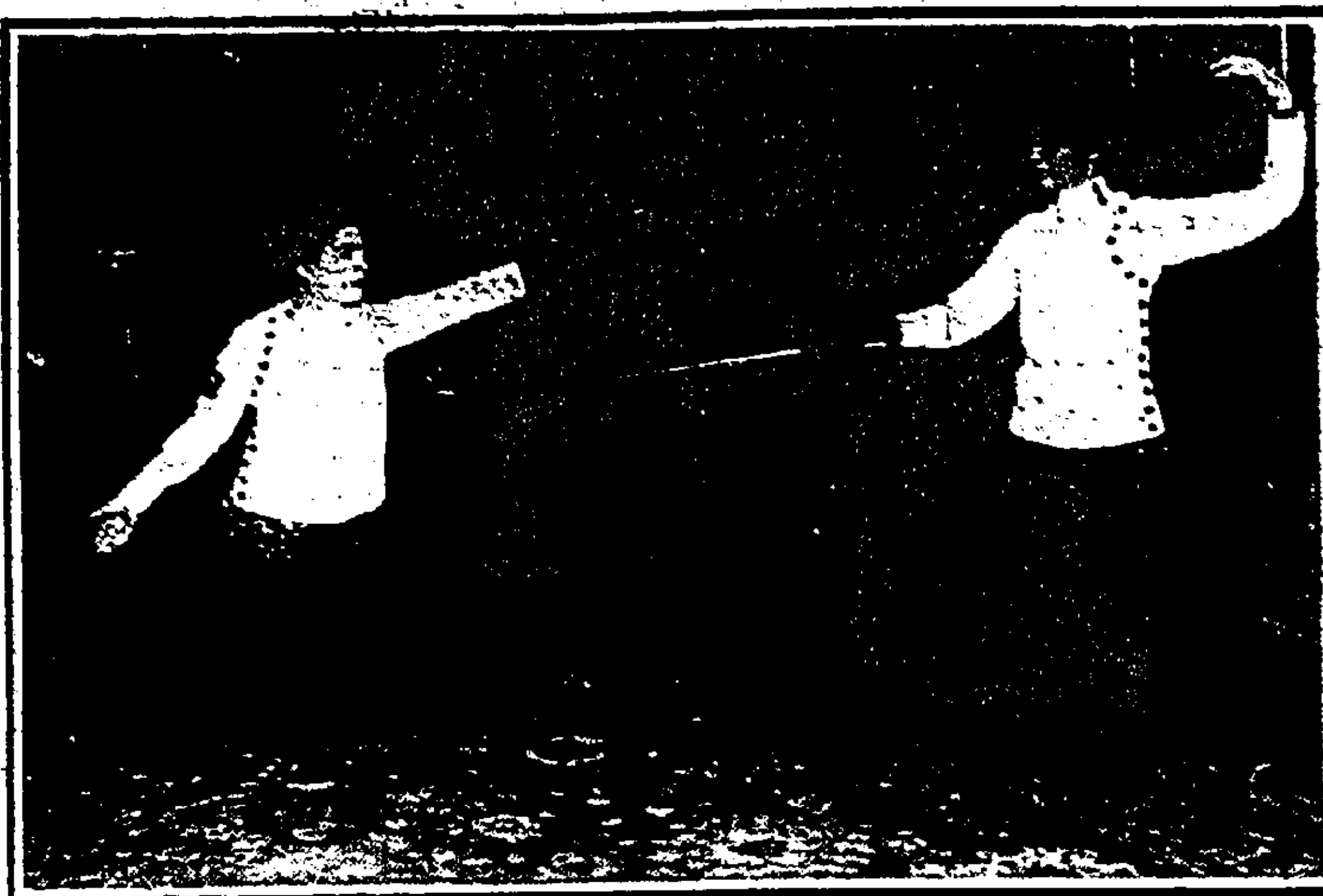
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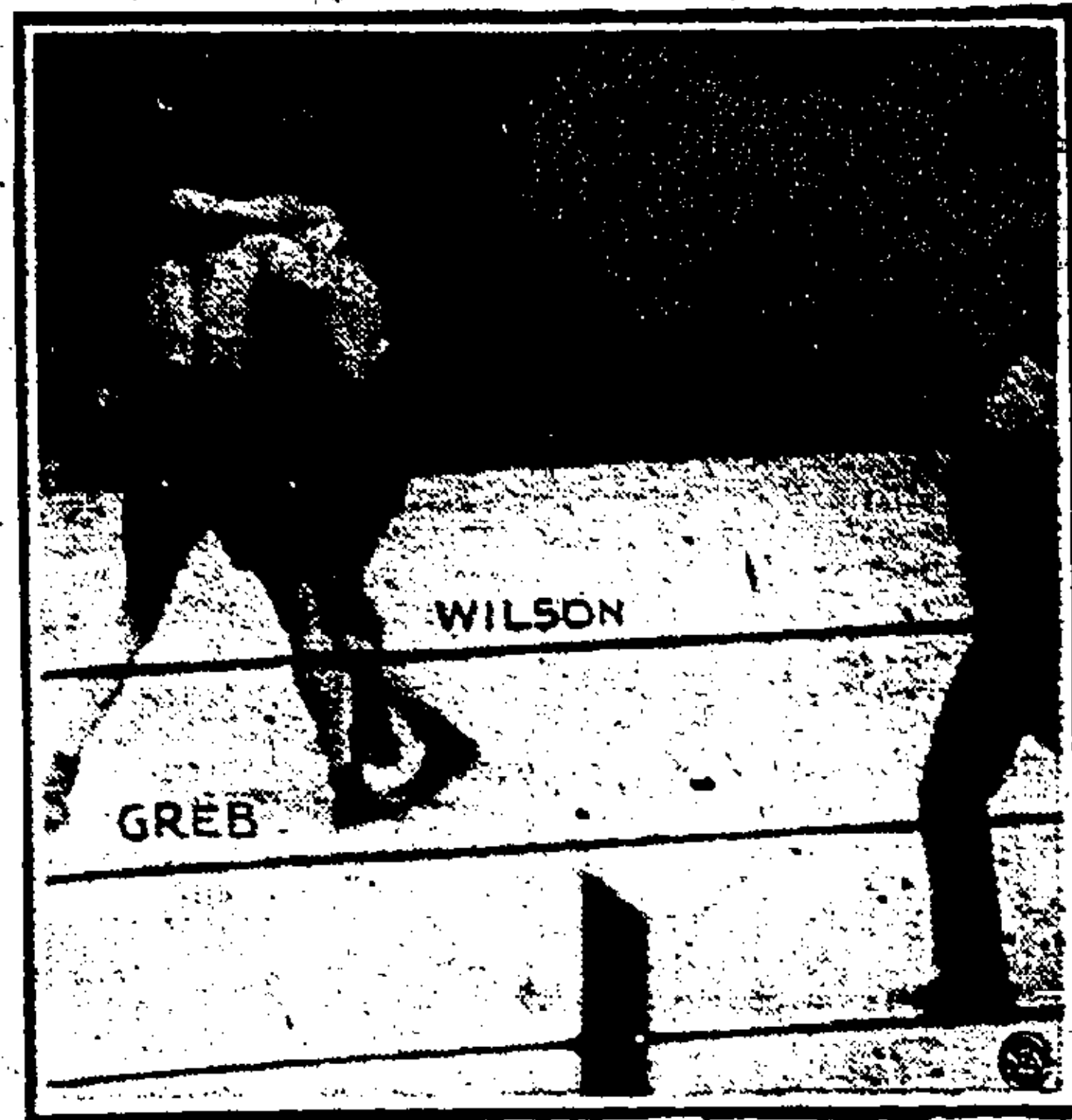
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CAMERA NEWS.



Some of America's society women are hard at work practicing fencing, in hopes of forming a women's Olympic Fencing Team. Photo shows Mrs. Charles H. Hopper (left) fencing with Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish.



Harry Greb and Johnny Wilson did nothing else but clinch in their recent bout, which Greb won after 15 rounds of fighting at Madison Square Garden, New York City, thereby retaining his middleweight title as world's champion.



Divorce may be on the increase in America, but these five couples, all members of one church congregation, represent 271 years of wedded bliss. Lifelong members of the First Baptist church at Owosso, they recently celebrated the fact that each couple has been wedded over 50 years.



Princess Zeineb, wife of the new minister to Washington from Egypt.



Lady Diana Manners and Princess Matchibelli were engaged to alternate as "Madonna" in "The Miracle." To decide which would play the part on the opening night the two stars drew lots. And Lady Diana (left) won.



No wonder members of the crew of the Dollar liner President Harrison were so light-hearted when they left San Francisco. These four sailorettes are shown descending the ladder after wishing bon voyage to all aboard.



What is said to be the longest petition ever submitted to Congress is shown here. It contains names of 345,546 persons who want taxes reduced.

PACIFIC SHIPPING.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H. M. GOVERNMENT.)

S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
MOREA	10,911	23 Feb. noon	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
ALIPORA	5,273	25 Feb. noon	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
KARMA	9,098	8th Mar.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KIDDERPORE	5,334	11th Mar.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
NALDERA	15,993	22nd Mar.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'werp
PADU	5,907	23rd Mar.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay
SICILIA	6,813	28th Mar.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
KHYBER	9,014	5th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TANDA	6,956	26 Feb. 1 p.m.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,949	17th Mar.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TORILLA	5,205	4th Apr.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

EASTERN	4,000	5th Mar.	Manila, Thursday Island
ARAFURA	6,000	2nd Apr.	Townsville, B'bane, Sydney
ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Apr.	Melbourne

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The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to South America and London via Panama Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to South America and London via New Zealand, Vancouver and Seattle.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

KHYBER	9,014	23 Feb. noon	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
PADUA	5,907	25 Feb. noon	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
CHINA	7,952	8th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	8th Mar.	Moji & Kobe
NELLORE	6,853	9th Mar.	Shanghai & Kobe
SICILIA	6,813	13th Mar.	Shanghai

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.

Parcels Measuring not more than 2 1/2 ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

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GLEN AND SHIRE.

JOINT SERVICE OF STEAMERS.

U. K., STRAITS, CHINA & JAPAN Service.

Vessel	Due Hongkong	Vessel	Leaves Hongkong
RADNORSHIRE	28th Feb.	GLENBEG	4th Mar.
GLENOGLE	11th Mar.	Genoa, L'don, R'dam & H'burg	
GLENSHANE	25th Mar.	PEMBROKESHIRE	3rd April
		London, Rotterdam & H'burg	

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Telephone Central No. 215, sub-ex. 23 and 3696.

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SERVICES CONTRACTUALS

Mail Steamers	Next Sailings from Marseilles	Pro. arr. at H'g. and Sailing for S'hai & Japan	Pro. Sailing from H'g. for M'les
ANGERS	—	—	3rd Mar.
CHILI	—	—	9th Mar.
PORTHOS	24th Jan.	25th Feb.	23rd Mar.
AMAZONE	7th Feb.	11th Mar.	6th April
ANGOR	21st Feb.	25th Mar.	20th April
PAUL LECAT	6th Mar.	8th Apr.	4th May

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY TO MARSEILLES.
(including Table Wine and free Doctor's attendance)
▲ Class 1st Class £25.00 B Class 1st Class £29.00
Steamers 2nd Class £28.00 Steamers 2nd Class £32.00
Through Tickets to London and Leading Towns of Europe.
Accommodation reserved in the trains at Marseilles.

LIGNE COMMERCIALES (CARGO-BOATS)
S.S. LT. DE MISSIESSY loading for Havre, Antwerp and Dunkirk about 21st Feb.
S.S. "Dr. P. BENOIT" from Dunkirk, London, Havre, is due to arrive about the end of February.

For full particulars apply to:
Messageries Maritimes Co.
3 Queen's Building.
CONSIGNATION. TRANSIT. REPRESENTATION.

VEREENIGDE NEDERLANDSCHE SCHEEPVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.

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HOLLAND-OOST AZIE LIJN(Holland-East Asia Line)
(Members of the Straits, China and Japan Conferences.)

Taking cargo for Belgium, Netherlands, German and all North European ports on direct or optional Bills of Lading, also to United Kingdom ports on optional Bills of Lading only.

ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:
S.S. ALDERAMIN due Hongkong on the 18th Mar.
S.S. OOSTKERK " " 8th Apr.
S.S. OUDERKERK " " 6th May
S.S. OLDEKERK " " 3rd June

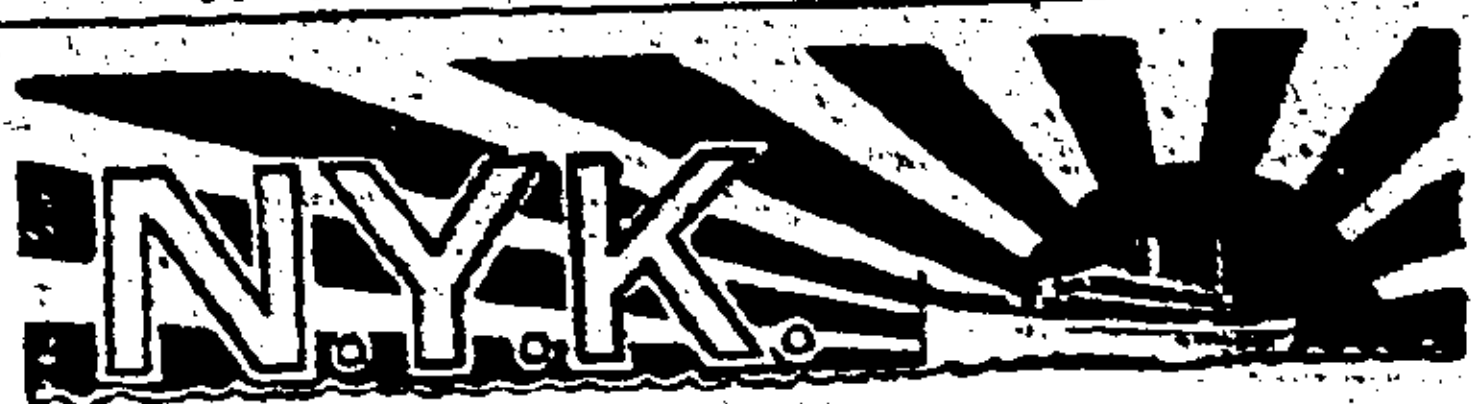
SAILINGS TO EUROPE:

Steamers	For	Sailing on or about
SAPARORA	R'dam, A'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	5th Mar.
MAPIA	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of Apr.
ALDERAMIN	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of May
OOSTKERK	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of June

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Shipping to Europe, Australia, and other Ports.



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Through Bills of Lading issued to all Overland Common Points in U.S.A. and Canada.

Through passage rates to Europe via America G. 405, G. 420, G. 440.

YOKOHAMA M... Sunday, 9th Mar. at 11 a.m.

KAGA MARU ... Thursday, 3rd Apr.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.

HAKOZAKI MARU ... Wednesday, 5th Mar. at 11 a.m.

HAKUSAN MARU ... Wednesday, 12th Mar.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

MATSUYE MARU ... First half of March.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

DELACOA MARU ... Middle of March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Mar. at 11 a.m.

YOSHINO MARU ... Wednesday, 16th Apr.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

LISBON MARU ... Sunday, 9th Mar.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Second half of April.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

MURORAN MARU ... Friday, 29th Feb.

LIMA MARU ... Monday, 10th Mar.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Saturday, 1st Mar.

WAKASA MARU ... Tuesday, 11th Mar.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 13th Mar.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AWA MARU ... (Omitting Shanghai) Friday, 22nd Feb.

HARUNA MARU ... Tuesday, 26th Feb.

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S.S. "EGREMONT CASTLE" Sailing on or about 29th Feb.

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Taking Cargo for Genoa, Naples, Venice, Trieste and all other Italian Ports also cargo on through Bills of Lading for Levant, Black Sea and Danube Ports.

FIUME having been re-opened for traffic, cargo is also accepted for this port on through Bills of Lading.

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FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.

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S.S. "GERZU" ... Sailing on or about 7th Mar.

For BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.

" via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

S.S. "ANNA" ... Sailing on or about 22nd Feb.

S.S. "ROSANDRA" ... Sailing on or about 19th Mar.

* Freight only.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

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S.S. "UMONA" ... Sailing from Calcutta on or about 12th Mar.

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports.

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AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.

HONGKONG TO PHILIPPINES & AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

SAILING (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer	Arrives Hongkong from Australia	Leave H'gong for M'la, S'kan, Thurs. Is. & A'lian Ports
TAIYUEN	In port	22nd Feb. 3 p.m.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc. and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried, Reduced Fares, Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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Projected Sailings from Hongkong

Subject to alteration.

City of Canterbury 21st Feb. M'les, London, R'dam & H'burg.

City of Pekin 2nd Mar. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

City of York 22nd Feb. Shanghai & Kobe.

City of Canterbury 21st Feb. Marseilles, London, etc.

City of York 30th Mar. do.

City of Cairo 18th Apr. do.

FARES TO LONDON:

Single 1st Class A £28. B £24. 2nd Class A £23. B £20.

Return 1st Class A £161. B £147. 2nd Class A £108. B £98.

Cargo Steamers Saloon Passage £56.

For further particulars apply to **HOLYDAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD.**

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COAST SHIPPING.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co., Ltd.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sat.	Sailings
KOBE via Shanghai	Hosang	Sat.	23rd Feb. at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Vuonsang	Sat.	23rd Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Kwongsang	Sun.	24th Feb. at 7 a.m.	
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Kwongsang	Tues.	25th Feb. at 10 a.m.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwongsang	Tues.	25th Feb. at 10 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues.	26th Feb. at 1 p.m.
TTAO via S'low & S'hai Wingsang	Wed.	27th Feb. at 7 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Tingsang	Fri.	29th Feb. at 7 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Fri.	29th Feb. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Chipshing	Wed.	5th Mar. at noon

Calcutta Line:—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore; Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light & Fans & carry a fully qualified Surgeon. Shanghai Line:—Sailings approximately every three days between Canton & Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued all to Northern and Yangtze Ports via Shanghai.

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Borneo Line:—Fortnightly sailings to and from Sandakan by two 5,000 ton steamers s.s. "HINSANG" & "MAUSANG" both steamers having excellent passenger accommodation. Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading for Kudat, Jesselton, Labuan, Tawau and Lahad Datu.

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Bangkok Line:—A weekly service is provided between Hongkong & Bangkok, via Swatow, by five steamers fitted with up-to-date passenger accommodation.

CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "Kutsang" will be despatched on or about Friday, 29th Feb. at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to RANGOON, PORT SWETTENHAM & MADRAS & DUTCH EAST INDIES.

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Regular Service of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers having good accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light and Fans in state-rooms and Saloon and Excellent Cuisine.

For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow and Returns, (Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships	Captain	Leaving
Maiching	A. H. Stewart	FRI., 22nd Feb. at 1 p.m.
Maibong	W. C. Passmore	TUES., 26th Feb. at 1 p.m.
Maifoong	Ellis Walker	FRI., 29th Feb. at 1 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Co.'s Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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WISDOM.

Now in the days of loving and wooing,
Your girl eluding, your boy pursuing;
(I am remembering my own days).

Sweet the time of wooing and wedding,
But hilt the wings of Time ever speeding,
(I am remembering my own days).

She shall feast her fill of his praises,
The kiss on hair and the lover's gazes
(I am remembering my own days).

He shall attain his hour of possessing,
But all too brief is the lover's leasing
(I am remembering my own days).

Say to your girl the sands are running,
Tell her this of old wisdom and cunning.

(I am remembering my own days)
That not one hour of her bliss be wasted,
No kiss ungiven, no joy untasted
(I am remembering my own days).

Tell your boy 'tis his hour of plenty,
Only once is he golden and twenty,
(I am remembering my own days).

Bid him build, since beyond recover
Fleet the days of the loved and lover
(I am remembering my own days).

Tell them yet they shall sit and ponder
Dear delights of the lost land yonder
(I am remembering my own days).

Worlds and Time and grey Death yet threaten
The flying Youth and the head rose-wreath.
(I am remembering my own days).

KATHARINE TYNAN.

CONSIGNEES.



The Steamship "WEST HENSHAW."

having arrived from Seattle

via ports, on February 15th Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Feb. 21st by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Feb. 22nd will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE,
4, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong, Feb. 16th, 1924.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.
The Steamship "PRES. JEFFERSON"

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